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TO ALL EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC DIPLOMATIC POSTS

AMCONSUL NAHA

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

INFO CINCPAC HONO

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GOVGUAM

TREASURY

XMT AMEMBASSY RANGOON

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1. CHINA

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS WEDNESDAY AFTER ATTENDING
HIR SUBCMTE HEARING, HAK SAID HE WAS CERTAIN NIXON
WILL "GET IN TOUCH" WITH ADMIN TO REPORT ON PRC
TRIP, BUT NO DECISION MADE YET ON FORMAT; AND
HE HAS NO PRESENT PLANS MEETING NIXON (NYT). NYDN'S
CARTER REPORTS HAK DESCRIBED BY ASSOCIATES AS
INCENSED AT NIXON BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE IMPACT HIS
PEKING VISIT ON CONDUCT US FOREIGN POLICY--BUT
HAK "AVOIDED SAYING THIS PUBLICLY." HAK SAID ADMIN
TOLD OF NIXON PLANS ONLY HOUR BEFORE TRIP ANNOUNCED
BY PEKING, AND HE DID NOT THINK NIXON'S TALKS WITH
MAO, HUA HAD BEEN DIPLOMATIC NEGOTIATIONS IN REAL
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SENSE, SUCH AS PROHIBITED BY LOGAN ACT; BUT ADDED:
"WE OBVIOUSLY WOULD PREFER TO DEAL WITH OTHER
GOVERNMENTS THROUGH OFFICIAL CHANNELS."

NIXON LEFT PEKING THURSDAY ON SPECIAL PLANE FOR
KNEILIN; WILL ALSO VISIT CANTON BEFORE RETURNING
US SATURDAY (REUTER PEKING).

AP PEKING (WSTAR 2/25) REPORT NIXON DENIAL HIS BANQUET
TOAST REMARKS WERE CRITICISM OF US FOREIGN POLICY.
NIXON ALSO REFUTED PRESS REPORTS THAT WHEN HE
APPLAUDED DURING MONDAY NIGHT CONCERT, HE WAS CLAPPING
FOR SONG ADVOCATING OUSTER ROC REGIME; INSISTS HE
"DIDN'T REALLY STAND. IT WAS JUST A GENTLEMAN-TO-A-
LADY GESTURE. I STOOD FOR (CHIANG CHING) WHO WAS
STANDING, NOT FOR THE SONG" (ALSO UPI, CHITRIB).

SPEAKING AT NINE-COURSE FAREWELL BANQUET WEDNESDAY
NIGHT HE GAVE FOR 300 GUESTS IN GREAT HALL, NIXON
PREDICTED US, PRC WILL WORK TOGETHER TO BUILD BETTER
WORLD. NIXON SAID HE HAD GREATLY PROFITED FROM
DISCUSSIONS, WHICH DEALT WITH SOME MAJOR WORLD ISSUES.
FURTHER NIXON-HUA CONVERSATIONS FOLLOWED BANQUET.
HUA SPOKE OF CANDID, UNCONSTRAINED TALKS THAT REVIEWED
CHANGES IN INTERNATIONAL SITUATION SINCE NIXON'S
1972 VISIT. PRC OFFICIAL SAID BANQUET WAS FIRST
GIVEN BY PRIVATE VISITOR IN GREAT HALL (REUTER, NYT).
DURING MORNING VISIT TSINGHUA U, NIXON WAS TOLD BY
CHAIRMAN OF UNIVERSITY'S REVOLUTIONARY CMTE, CHE
TSUEN (SIC), THAT TENG HSIAO-PING IS IN DISGRACE,
SINCE WAS "CAPITALIST-ROADER" WHO DOES NOT WANT CORRECT
HIS MISTAKES (AP PHINQ, SUN, WSTAR 2/25; WP).
ACCORDING LE MONDE, NIXON RECEIVED BRIEFING OF "RARE
PRECISION" ON PRC POLITICS FROM CHE, WHO FILLED FORMER
PRES IN ON CONTINUING POLITICAL STRUGGLE (UPI, CHITRIB).

UPI (PEKING) NOTES HUA TOASTED NIXON HEALTH FOR FIRST
TIME AT WEDNESDAY NIGHT BANQUET, TOLD HIM PEKING
WANTS FURTHER IMPROVEMENT SINO-US RELATIONS. NIXON
SPOKE WITHOUT PREPARED TEXT OR NOTES, HIS REMARKS
SLIGHTLY RAMBLING -- AT ONE POINT HE ASKED INTERPRETER
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FOR HELP WITH MAO QUOTATION (NYDN, CHITRIB, GLOBE).

CHITRIB, NYDN CARRY UPI PHOTO OF NIXON MAKING FAREWELL
TOAST WEDNESDAY. AP PHOTO OF TSINGHUA U REVOLUTIONARY
CMTE CHAIRMAN CHI CHUN (SIC) EXPLAINING WALL POSTERS
TO NIXON APPEARS NYT, SUN FRONTPAGES. WSTAR (2/25)
RUNS UPI PIC OF NIXON CHATTING WITH PEKING RESIDENT

DURING STROLL WEDNESDAY; PHINQ HAS AP PHOTO OF NIXON EXAMINING MACHINE PARTS ON PEKING WORKSHOP TOUR.

TENG HAS BEEN ATTACKED BY NAME IN DOZENS WALL POSTERS IN HANGCHOW, ACCORDING EYEWITNESSES QUOTED BY HUNGARIAN CORRESPONDENT WEDNESDAY. POSTERS DESCRIBED HIM AS "DIRTY, RIGHTWING DEVIATOR." ACCORDING CORRESPONDENT, TENG VISITED HANGCHOW FOLLOWING DISTURBANCES IN SEVERAL FACTORIES, WAS LATER CRITICIZED FOR FAILING AGREE WITH LOCAL LEADERS WHO WANTED RESTRICT "BOURGEOIS RIGHTS" (REUTER BUDAPEST 2/25).

TASS SAID THURSDAY THAT MAO IS PREPARING CCP PURGE; SAID ITS ANALYSIS PRC POLITICAL EVENTS BASED ON ABRUPT ABOUT-TURN BY MAOISTS' PROPAGANDA MACHINE (REUTER MOSCOW).

ATTENDING HIS FIRST SOVIET PARTY CONGRESS, CASTRO HAILED SOVIET AS "MOST RELIABLE BULWARK OF PEACE" AND ATTACKED MAOISM (NYT).

2. JAPAN

MIKI LETTER TO FORD, MADE PUBLIC TOKYO WEDNESDAY. ASKS FULL COOPERATION, NAMES POLITICIANS WHO ALLEGEDLY TOOK BRIBES. REMINDED PRES "WE AGREED" LAST SUMMER "COOPERATE WITH EACH OTHER" PROTECT DEMOCRACY, FURTHER FRIENDLY US-JAPAN RELATIONS (WP).

MIKI SAID THURSDAY, IN DIET BUDGET CMTE, WOULD BE "INOPPORTUNE" DECIDE NOW WHETHER BUY P-3-C ASW PLANE. WISHES EXERCISE "UTMOST CAUTION" IN MATTER, PRECLUDE ANY POSSIBLE DOUBT ABOUT FINAL DECISION UNCLASSIFIED

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(REUTER TOKYO).

DIET CMTE VOTED THURSDAY HOLD ANOTHER HEARING ON LOCKHEED ALLEGATIONS, MARCH 1. PLANS CALL 9 WITNESSES, INCLUDING KOTCHIAN, I-D CORP EXEC KATAYAMA, LOCKHEED ASIA TOKYO OFFICE MGR ONI. LATTER ONLY PERSON IN JAPAN (REUTER TOKYO).

KISHI SAID HE "ANNOYED" BY NIXON REMARKS HOPING FORMER PM "DOESN'T HAVE ANY LOCKHEED STOCKS"; SAID "INCONCEIVABLE" WOULD HAVE ANY (WP).

MALCOLM (NYT) REVIEWS TROUBLED HISTORY NARITA AIRPORT, BUILT RELIEVE PRESSURE ON OVERCROWDED HANEDA AIRPORT.

COMPLETED THREE YEARS AGO, STILL UNOPENED DUE FIERCE
OPPOSITION LOCAL FARMERS, ENVIRONMENTALISTS,
REINFORCED BY RADICAL STUDENTS.

MOT APPROVES 3-PCT FARE HIKE ASKED BY 30 INTL CARRIERS
ON JAPAN-SEA ROUTES, EFFECTIVE MARCH 3 (AFP, WP).

3. KOREA

SK'S MANIL BANK LTD OPENS REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE, NY (JOC).

NK TO GET TWO-YR MORATORIUM REPAYMENT 45 MILLION DOL
WORTH CREDITS, FROM SWEDISH FIRMS SUPPLYING MINING
EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY. EFFECTIVE JULY, PROVIDED NK
MAKES 9 MILLION DOL ADVANCE PAYMENT ON LOANS IN
DEFAULT. PAYMENTS DUE 1975 POSTPONED 1977. FIRMS
COMMITTED FIVE-YEAR CREDITS NK, TOTAL 140 MILLION
DOLS (JOC, STOCKHOLM).

HALLORAN (NYT), IN TOKYO, CITES REPORTS BOP DIFFICULTIES
FACING NK SO GREAT NOT PAYING INTEREST ON FOREIGN
LOAN DEBTS. DEFAULTED LAST SUMMER ON 1.7 BILLION DOLS
FOREIGN DEBTS, BY FAILING COVER LC'S EXTENDED EXPORTERS.
ANALYSTS SAY NOTHING PAID JAPAN THIS YEAR ON 40 MILLION
DOL BALANCE. CITES SOURCES THAT NK, SO FAR, REFUSES
AGREE MEET WEUR CREDITORS, TO GIVE ASSURANCES WILL PAY.
SAYS NK OFFICIALLY IGNORES PROBLEM, ISSUES PRONOUNCEMENTS
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"INDEPENDENT NATIONAL ECONOMY" DEVELOPING STEADILY,
NOT AFFECTED BY "WORLDWIDE ECONOMIC UPHEAVAL." ALSO
NOTES INDICATIONS PYONGYANG TRYING RECTIFY TRADE PROBLEMS
BY NEGOTIATING NEW COMMODITY EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS WITH
OTHER COMMUNIST NATIONS.

4. INDOCHINA

CP CONGRESS MOSCOW SETTLES DOWN TO ROUTINE SPEECHES
PRAISING BREZHNEV, ENDORSING HIS 5-HR LONG POLITICAL
REPORT MADE TUESDAY. LE DUAN ADDRESSES MEETING, OFFERS
PROFUSE THANKS FOR SOVIET MIL AID DURING VN WAR; SAYS
VICTORY WAS DOUBLE REVOLUTION, FOR INDEPENDENCE,
SOCIALISM. LE DUAN'S WARM REMARKS ABOUT USSR ROLE
SEEMED UNDERLINE HANOI TILT TOWARD MOSCOW (NYT SPECIAL,
ALSO IN SUN). POND (CSM), AT MOSCOW, SEES LE DUAN
CONFIRMING HANOI'S PREFERENCE FOR MOSCOW OVER PEKING.
NOTES NVN LEADER POINTEDLY PRAISED USSR'S DEFENSE

OF PEACE IN EUROPE -- POSITION CHINESE PROTESTIN CALLING
SOVIETS THREAT TO EUROPE.

TRUONG CHINH SAYS REACTIONARIES STILL ACTIVE IN SVN CARRY-
ING OUT ACTS SABOTAGE. WARNS PRECAUTIONS MUST BE TAKEN
OR MIGHT TRY INTERFERE WITH ELECTIONS APR 25, USE
OCCASION FOR PROPAGANDA (REUTER, NYT).

SAIGON'S CONTINENTAL HOTEL REOPENS, RENAMED "HOTEL OF
THE GENERAL UPRISING" (AFP, NYT; WP).

5. THAILAND

ARMY COMMANDER SAYS SURPRISE MIL ALERT IN BANGKOK TUES
WAS JUST EXERCISE TO TEST PREPAREDNESS WITH NO
INTENTION STAGING COUP. GOVT STATES NOT FOREWARNED
OF MANEUVERS THAT PROMPTED KUKRIT CANCEL PLANNED VISIT
SINGAPORE. ELECTIONS SCHEDULED APR 4; MIL COUP
RUMORS HAVE BECOME PREVALENT (WP).

6. HONG KONG

JOC'S STRAUSS REVIEW 1976 ECON PREDICTIONS FOR COLONY.
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QUOTES OFFICIAL THAT EXPORTS WILL RISE BY 5 PCT,
IMPORTS BY 10 PCT; CH COMMERCE TAKES MORE OPTIMISTIC
VIEW, SEES EXPORTS UP 15 PCT OVER YEAR. OFFICIAL ALSO
PREDICTS 9 PCT INCREASE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT, NOTES
DEPENDENCE ON MAJOR MARKETS, LEVEL WORLD TRADE.

7. AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND

FRAZER ORDERS INQUIRY INTO DEC VISIT 2 IRAQI MFA
OFFICIALS AFTER NEWSPAPERS SAY WHITLAM ACCEPTED
500,000 DOLS TO HELP PAY LABOR PARTY'S ELECTION
EXPENSES. WHITLAM DENIES CHARGE (WP); DAMAGE SUIT STARTED
AGAINST PUBLISHER 3 AUSSIE PAPERS OVER ALLEGATION
(REUTER CANBERRA).

ALP STILL BITTER OVER OUSTER, WITH 63 LABOR MPS REFUSING
ATTEND OPENING PARLIAMENT THAT FEATURED GOV-GEN KERR
ADDRESS. WHITLAM CONTINUES ATTACKS ON KERR, THOUGH
MANY OBSERVERS THINK ACTION SELF-DEFEATING. GOVT OPENS
NEW PARLIAMENT WITH MAIN OBJECTIVE CONTROL INFLATION,
UNEMPLOYMENT THROUGH DIRECTION RESOURCES AWAY FROM
GOVT, TOWARD PRIVATE ENTERPRISE; ALSO PROMISES
CHECK GROWTH CENTRALIZED BUREAUCRACY, ECONOMIZE IN GOVT,
INTRODUCE TAX REFORMS, REDUCE GOVT WASTE, ASSIST
RURAL INDUSTRY, RESTORE OVERSEAS CONFIDENCE IN
MINING INDUSTRY, PASS LAW REQUIRING SECRET ELECTION
TRADE-UNION LEADERS (MILLAR, CSM).

GOA PLANS BORROW 100 MILLION DM IN EUROBOND MARKET (JOC). US BANKS TAKE KEENER INTEREST IN AUSTRALIA SINCE FRASER VICTORY, CONSIDER INCREASED OPERATIONS THERE, EYE MAJOR PROJECT FINANCING (STOVE, JOC). VICKERS (CSM) NOTES SURVEYS STARTED BY LABOR GOVT SHOW MANY AUSSIES POOR, DEPENDENT ON PRIVATE CHARITIES.

GONZ, FRANCE IMPROVE STRAINED RELS, BROUGHT ON BY S PAC NUKE TESTING, WITH VISIT GOF SECSTATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, PRESENCE NZ FONMIN IN EUROPE TO TRY GET BETTER ACCEPTANCE DAIRY PRODUCTS BY EEC. MULDOON SCHEDULED VISIT PARIS APR. GONZ HOPES FOR FRIENDLIER FRANCE SINCE HAS BEEN MAJOR OBSTACLE IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH EEC, BUT FRENCH UNCLASSIFIED

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MAY MAKE DEMANDS CONCERNING NZ IMPORT RESTRICTIONS (CARTHEW, CSM). MULDOON SAYS NUKE-POWERED WARSHIPS WILL BE ALLOWED INTO NZ WATERS, PORTS (REUTER WELLINGTON).

GONZ REVIEWS OIL EXPLORATION POLICIES; WILL NOT COMMENT ON WHETHER CHANGE CONTEMPLATED, BUT STRESSES NO CHANGE TO PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS WITH PROSPECTING LICENSE HOLDERS (JOC).

8. GENERAL

USG CHARGES AIRLINES VIOLATE LAW BY ILLEGAL REBATES ON PASSENGER, CARGO TRANSPORT IN TRANSPACIFIC MARKET. TO PREVENT FURTHER KICKBACKS, FILES CIVIL SUIT AGAINST AIR SIAM, PAL, FLYING TIGER, CANADIAN PACIFIC, CHINA AIRLINES, QANTAS, JAL, KAL, PAN-AM, UTA, VARIG, ANZ, NW AIRLINES (SF CHRON 2/20).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

9. KOREA

JOHN KANE, IN LETTER WP, CALLS REP FINDLEY "MODEST COMPROMISE" ON US TROOP LEVEL SK "STALLING TACTIC," SUBTERFUGE AVOID REMOVAL US TROOPS WITHIN REASONABLE PERIOD TIME. IN EFFECT, FREEZES TROOPS THERE, THUS FRUSTRATES WILL MAJORITY CONGRESS. DECLARES US TROOPS "SIMPLY HOSTAGES" TO SK FEAR OF FIGHTING NK.

10. THAILAND/BURMA

MANCHESTER GUARDIAN'S WOOLLACOTT (PHINQ) IN GOLDEN TRIANGLE AREA NOTES POPPIES BLOOMING. OPINES MUCH OF 4-700 TONS OPIUM TO BE PRODUCED WILL REACH EUROPE. REVIEWS ANTI-DRUG ACTION BY SEA COUNTRIES, HK, FINDS

THAILAND NOW WEAKEST LINK IN ENFORCEMENT CHAIN AGAINST TRAFFIC. QUOTES NARC EXPERTS THAT WILL BE LITTLE DISRUPTION IN TRADE IN THAILAND. POINTS OUT THAT EVEN BURMA, WHERE BULK OPIUM PRODUCED BEFORE BEING TAKEN INTO THAILAND, HAS TAKEN SOME ACTION, PARTLY DUE ADDICT PROBLEM. OPINES IMPROVED EFFICIENCY POLICE IN UNCLASSIFIED

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NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES, HK, HAS CAUSED ILLEGAL DRUG OPERATIONS TO CONCENTRATE IN THAILAND, WHERE ADDICTION

PROBLEM GROWING BUT ENFORCEMENT RECORD "APPALLING." REVIEWS ROUTE OF OPIUM TO FACTORIES, ONWARD SHIPMENT METHODS, ROLE US DEA. MENTIONS IDEA TO BUY ENTIRE GOLDEN TRIANGLE CROP AT SOURCE, BURN IT; QUOTES AGENT THAT THIS WOULD DIRECTLY FINANCE BURMESE INSURGENTS WHO SURVIVE ON DRUG TRADE PROFITS, AND GROWERS MIGHT DOUBLE CROP. MENTIONS TH; RA-D ON FACTORY, PLANNED ANTIDRUG PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN, BUT SEES LITTLE SIGN REAL INROADS INTO TRADE.

11. THAILAND/MALAYSIA

BEECH (BALTO N-A 2/25) IN S THAILAND NOTES BORDER AREA IS SANCTUARY FOR MALAYSIAN COMMUNIST INSURGENTS, SMUGGLING CENTER. SAYS THAI OFFICIALS TAKE TOLERANT VIEW COMMUNISTS, SINCE MOSTLY CHINESE AS ARE MANY LOCAL RESIDENTS, WHO HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN DRIVEN OUT OF MALAYA MANY YRS AGO BY MALAYS. DISTRICT OFFICIAL ALSO NOT WORRIED, SINCE COMMUNISTS WANT OVERTHROW GOM, NOT RTG, SO ARE MALAYSIAN PROBLEM. SAYS RTG PRE-OCCUPIED WITH OWN COMMUNIST INSURGENCY IN NORTH THAT TAKES PRECEDENCE, PREOCCUPIED WITH MOSLEM SEPARATISTS IN SOUTH RATHER THAN "WELL-BEHAVED" COMMUNISTS. RECALLS RTG REJECTS GOM REQUESTS ENTER THAILAND PURSUE COMMUNISTS. MENTIONS SHOOT-OUTS AMONG LOCAL COMMUNIST FACTIONS. BELIEVE SITUATION NOT LIKELY CHANGE.

12. INDOCHINA

BALTO N-A NOTES NVN DRIVE FOR US AID, USING MIA BODIES AS PAWNS; CALLS IT "BODIES FOR BOOTY." CONSIDERS SICKENING THAT SOME US OFFICIALS SHOW WILLINGNESS GO ALONG WITH SHAKEDOWN. BELIEVES SEN KENNEDY HAS HELPED DESPICABLE COMMUNIST STRATEGY. REVIEWS RECENT REPATRIATION REMAINS, THINKS COMMUNIST PLOY MAY YET BE SUCCESSFUL. CALLS IDEA APPALLING, DISGRACEFUL. CONTENTS WE OWE HANOI NOTHING SINCE BROKE C-F. CONSIDERS INSUFFERABLE TO PAY RANSOM FOR DEAD (2/25). UNCLASSIFIED

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13. CHINA

REP HAYS (D-O), STANDING BESIDE HAK WEDNESDAY FOLLOWING SESSION HIR SUBCMTE MEETING, DECLARED NIXON WENT TO PEKING BECAUSE CHINESE INVITED HIM AND "BECAUSE HE SAW IT AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO HURT" FORD IN NH. "I THINK IT'S A LITTLE UNGRATEFUL FOR HIM, IN VIEW" OF FACT PRES PARDONED HIM. HAK DID NOT COMMENT ON HAYS STATEMENT (CARTER, NYDN).

GLOBE'S BEECHER SAYS BELIEF GAINING INCREASING ACCEPTANCE AMONG WASHINGTON CHINA-WATCHERS THAT PRC DOMESTIC POLITICS MOTIVATED PEKING INVITATION TO NIXON. THIS BASED ON PREMISE MAO WANTS CALM DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN CONCERN OVER POLITICAL MANEUVERING NOW GOING ON. SO, IT'S REASONED CHAIRMAN FELT SUCH SPECULATION COULD NOT LONG FLOURISH WHEN MILLIONS CHINESE SEE IN MORNING PAPERS FRONT-PAGE PHOTOS OF HIM WARMLY GREETING NIXON.

IN SAN FRANCISCO TO TALK AT MEETING SPONSORED BY SF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, BRITISH INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANT ROLAND BERGER, WHO REPRESENTS CONSORTIUM OF 70 BRITISH FIRMS DOING BUSINESS IN PRC, SUGGESTED NIXON MAY BE IN PRC REPRESENTING SEVERAL US INDUSTRIES AS TRADE NEGOTIATOR -- PERHAPS AEROSPACE INDUSTRY. DECLARES US INDUSTRY'S FAILURE FOLLOW THROUGH IN GARNERING CONTRACTS SINCE 1972 NIXON VISIT IS HIS CLIENTS' GAIN (SF CHRON 2/20).

REUTER'S GRIFFITHS, IN PEKING, SAYS NIXON WAVED GOODBYE TO PEKING THURSDAY, HEADED FOR SOUTHERN CHINA, HIS CONFIDENCE BOOSTED BY "HEAD-OF-STATE TREATMENT." LOOKED NERVOUS, RESTRAINED ON PEKING ARRIVAL FIVE DAYS AGO, BUT AS VISIT PROGRESSED, VISIBLY GAINED CONFIDENCE. DELIVERED FLUENT, IMPRESSIVE SPEECH, WITHOUT NOTES, AT WELCOMING BANQUET, AND BY WEDNESDAY NIGHT WAS SPEAKING ALMOST AS IF STILL PRES.

ROCHE (BALT N-N 2/25) SAYS CURRENT PRC POLITICAL UNCLASSIFIED

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TURMOIL MAY INDICATE MAO "OFF ON ANOTHER OF HIS PENTECOSTAL KICKS," LIKE GPCR. BUT PLA WOULD

UNDOUBTEDLY TAKE "DIM VIEW OF REOPENING THE PLAYGROUND,"
AND TENG STILL PLA CHIEF OF STAFF. SO, "IF I HAD TO
BET, A PLA COUP WOULD TAKE DECIDED PRECEDENCE OVER
A NEW" GPCR.

LAT'S ELEGANT, IN HK (2/21), OBSERVES THAT ALTHOUGH
THREAT OF VIOLENCE CANNOT BE DISCOUNTED, PRC INTERNAL
CONFLICT STILL IS ONLY BATTLE OF WORDS, WITH FOREIGN
POLICY NOT APPEARING SIGNIFICANT ISSUE.

CHINA BREZHNEV PARTY CONGRESS REPORT, NYT DECLARES HIS
CHARGE THAT CHINESE SEEK PROVOKE WORLD WAR IGNORES
REALITY THAT IT IS PRC, FAR WEAKER MILITARILY THAN
SOVIET, THAT LIVES IN DREAD OF MOSCOW-ORDERED NUKE
PEARL HARBOR AGAINST IT.

WSTAR'S BRADSHER (2/25) SAYS SOVIET COMMUNIST
PARTY GENERAL-SECRETARY'S "ONE NEW PROPOSAL" -- WORLD
TREATY ON NON-USE FORCE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS --
IS CERTAIN TO BE SCORND BY PEKING, POSSIBLY OTHERS.

REVIEWING PRC FILM EXHIBIT AT NYC'S RFKENNEDY THEATRE,
NYDN'S CARROLL FOUND FILMS "ESSENTIALLY SHOW-AND-TELL
EXERCISES, VISUAL AIDS GEARED FOR EDUCATING THE
MASSES." BY US STANDARDS, FILMS HOPELESSLY CRUDE,
ALTHOUGH EVERY SO OFTEN SOMEONE WILL TRY TRICK
OR TWO -- BUT "THE MESSAGE IS THEIR THINGN
COMING THROUGH LOUD, CLEAR, NO MATTER WHAT THE FILM."
CONCLUDES, THOUGH HASN'T RECEIVED INVITATION VISIT
PRC, "STILL, I DON'T FEEL TOTALLY DEPRIVED -- NOW,
ANYWAY."

14. GENERAL

ENDICOTT PEABODY (SECY, AMERICANS FOR ENERGY
INDEPENDENCE)LETTER TO LAT (2/21) DEPLORES "HEAD-IN-
THE-SAND" PROPOSAL BY LILIENTHAL TO HALT PEACEFUL
NUCLEAR EXPORTS, PENDING INTL AGREEMENT ON NON-
PROLIFERATION SAFEGUARDS. WOULD FAIL, BECAUSE IF US --
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WHICH NO LONGER SOLE SUPPLIER NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY, POWER
PLANTS -- WITHDRAWS FROM EXPORT MARKET OTHERS WOULD BE
EAGER ACCEPT SUBSTANTIAL SHARE NUCLEAR MARKET STILL
HELD BY US. DECLARES WORLD BETTER SERVED BY CONTINUED
US PARTICIPATION WORLD MARKET, AND BY US EXERCISE
LEADERSHIP ROLE IN REQUIRING APPROPRIATE SAFEGUARDS,
WORKING WITH OTHER NATIONS PROMOTE COMPARABLE CONTROLS
OVER THEIR EXPORTS.

WP STATES SECSTATE'S OFT-POSTPONED VISIT LATIN AMERICA
ELICITED CHARACTERISTIC AMBIVALENCE TOWARD US, BUT
HAK TIP-TOED THROUGH PSYCHOLOGICAL MINEFIELD WITH
CONSIDERABLE APLOMB. SEEMS STUMBLED ONLY IN BRAZIL,
WHERE COMMITTED US CONSULT FORMALLY ON "MAJOR INTERNATIONAL
TOPICS," WHICH BOUND TROUBLE OTHER LATIN NATIONS THAT
FEAR GROWTH OF BRAZIL INTO SUPER-POWER. NOTES X
JAPAN PROVIDES BEST EXAMPLE OF KIND OF NEW AGREEMENT,
WHICH US HAS WITH FEW NATIONS.

WSJ'S JANSSEN, IN GENEVA, COMPARES CURRENT "TOKYO
ROUND" TARIFF TALKS TO INTL CHESS MATCH. BEGAN 30
MONTHS AGO, BUT OPENING MOVES HELD UP BY CONGRESSIONAL
DELAY PASSING NEW TRADE ACT. US NOW APPEARS STIRRING
TOWARD FIRST MOVE -- DISCLOSURE SIZE, KIND TARIFF CUTS
US WANTS. NOTES JAPAN'S APPROACH COMBINES ELEMENTS OF
EUR "HARMONIZATION," US STRAIGHT-LINE PRINCIPLES,
FEW UNDERSTAND RATIONALE FOR JAPANESE PROPOSAL, BUT
SOME BELIEVE MAY OFFER BASIS FOR COMPROMISE. KISSINGER

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